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Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed October 11, 2006, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response which expired on November 11, 2006, and which has been extended one (1) month to December 11, 2006, please amend said application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.